GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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WEATHER ROADS ON NHs
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to construct all weather roads on the major National Highways in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the Highways identified for this alongwith the estimated cost for this purpose; and

(c) the time by which the said proposal is likely to be approved?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) to (c) The development of National Highways (NHs) is a continuous process and the projects are taken up based on the design and guidelines for NHs to make the roads all weather proof. The design principles and guidelines are so framed to provide (i) the road section at least one meter above the highest flood level/water table, (ii) adequate surface and sub-surface drainage measures including camber on the top of the pavement and (iii) bituminous or concrete pavements as a top layer.